

Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)
	10/054,422	VALENTINE ET AL.
	Examiner	Art Unit
	Kristie D. Shingles	2141

All Participants:

Status of Application: ALLOWED

(1) Kristie D. Shingles, Examiner.

(3) _____

(2) Richard Baker, Atty.

(4) _____

Date of Interview: 26 September 2007

Time: 3:00pm

Type of Interview:

- Telephonic
 Video Conference
 Personal (Copy given to: Applicant Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: Yes No

If Yes, provide a brief description:

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:

n/a

Claims discussed:

1, 2, 3, 11, 12

Prior art documents discussed:

n/a

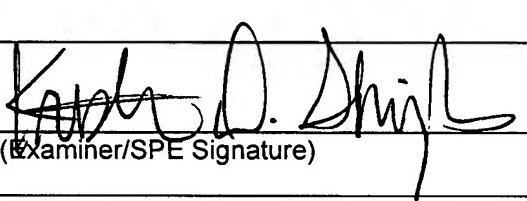
Part II.

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

See Continuation Sheet

Part III.

- It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.
 It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.


 (Examiner/SPE Signature)

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: Upon Primary's approval, Examiner contacted Applicant with suggested amendments to place the claims in condition for allowance. The independent claims did not claim an apparent utility for resolving the network topology, Examiner suggested amending the independent claims with language from claims 2 or 3 to specify that the network topology was resolved or presented with the inferred devices or unresolved branch. Examiner further suggested amending instances of "non-connecting network device" in the claims to "endstation type" device for consistency with Applicant's specification and for clarity. Atty authorized Examiner to amend the claims accordingly.